a unit at village Chola in District Bulandshahr, U.P. to produce Oral Polio Vaccine;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof including the present stage of the Unit;

(c) whether it is a fact that polio vaccine now in use is being tested at random throughout the country to ensure its effectiveness and protective powers;

(d) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(e) whether the results of such regular monitoring or evaluation are proposed to be made public ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI NILAMANI ROUTRAY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A public sector undertaking has been set up by Department of Biotechnology for this purpose. Civil construction work including site development has progressed to an advanced stage and the main plant is under construction. Recruitment of technical and administrative staff has commenced and the training is underway. The company has also undertaken import of Oral Polio Vaccine as a finished product for supply to Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

(c) Polio vaccine of each manufacturer is tested by the authorised laboratory before the vaccine is released for use in the programme. In addition, field samples of OPV are also collected routinely to monitor the effectiveness of the cold chain.

(d) The tests undertaken during 1988 covered a total of 2196 field samples showing 66% samples to be satisfactory. Next year in 1989 the number of sample was 5348 and of these 84% were found satisfactory. During the current year uptil now 658 samples have been tested showing 95% samples to be satisfactory.

(e) Yes, Sir. These are shared regularly with State and district officers and also published in official documents.

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588. **श्री सुनील कुमार पट्टनायक :** क्या **पेट्रोलियम और रसायन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि आज की स्थिति के अनुसार, क्रमशः इंडियन ऑयल कारपोरेशन लिमिटेड और भारत पेट्रोलियम कारपोरेशन लिमिटेड तथा हिन्दुस्तान पेट्रोलियम कारपोरेशन लिमिटेड के अधीन, राज्यवार, कुल कितनी गैस एजेंसियां हैं तथा इसके साथ-साथ उनकी अवस्थिति, नाम और पता क्या है ?

पेट्रोलियम और रसायन मंत्री (श्री एम.एस. गुरुपदस्वामी) : 1 मार्च 1990 को देश में इंडियन ऑयल कारपोरेशन लि., हिन्दुस्तान पेट्रोलियम कारपोरेशन लि. और भारत पेट्रोलियम कारपोरेशन लिमिटेड के 3744 एल.पी.जी. वितरण केन्द्र काम कर रहे थे।

इन सभी वितरकों के नाम, पते और स्थान के संबंध में पूरी सूचना एकत्र करने में लगने वाले प्रयास वांछित उद्देश्य की पूर्ति के अनुरूप नहीं होंगे।

Tyre and Tube Project in Orissa

589. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) how many tyre and tube projects have been set up in Orissa;

(b) whether any such unit has been set up in that State with foreign collaboration;

(c) if so, what are the details of the capacity, localities and employment generation capacity of such projects;